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REMARKS

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This document is filed in response to the final office action dated December 20, 2005 ("final Office Action") and the advisory action dated May 5, 2006 ("Advisory Action").

Applicants have amended the specification to correct a typographical error and amended claims 1, 2, 21, and 22 to more particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as their invention. Each of the amended claims recites the phrase "the fibers are oriented in a direction crossing with a plane of the fiber cloth." This limitation is supported by the specification. More specifically, Figures 1B and 2C show that the fiber cloth is planar and the fibers are oriented in a direction crossing with the plane of the fiber cloth. Indeed, this limitation actually has the same meaning as "the fibers are oriented in a direction crossing with the fiber cloth" recited in the original claim 1. Applicants have now used "a plane of the fiber cloth" in place of "the fiber cloth" so as to make the claim language more clear. No new matter has been introduced. It is respectfully requested that all amendments be entered.

Applicants previously presented the same set of amended claims in a response mailed on April 19, 2006 to the final Office Action. In the Advisory Action, the Examiner asserted that the amendments have necessitated new search and refused to enter them. Applicants do not agree. However, in the sole interest of moving this application toward allowance, they file herewith a request for continued examination to resume prosecution.

Applicants request that the Examiner promptly enter the above amendments and consider the arguments presented in the response mailed on April 19, 2006.

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Respectfully submitted,

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